

NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 21ST OCTOBER 2018

ALL SAINTS DAY – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, 1st November - Masses will be celebrated at 12 noon & 7 pm. There will also be a whole school Mass celebrated here at St Joseph's at 9.30 am. *All are welcome.*

ALL SOULS DAY

Friday, 2nd November - We commemorate all the faithful departed. Prayers for the dead have been part of the Church's history since its earliest days. Masses will be celebrated at 12 noon & 7 pm.

BLESSING OF GRAVES – SATURDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER

Purley Burial Ground	1 pm
St Michael's Graveyard	1 pm
Pangbourne Hill Cemetery	1.30 pm
<u>BLESSING OF GRAVES – SUNDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER</u>	
Henley Road Cemetery	3 pm

MASS FOR DECEASED & RECENTLY BEREAVED

On Saturday, 1st December, the 10 am Mass will be offered up for the recently deceased and bereaved. *Everyone is welcome to attend.* **Fr Peter**

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 21ST OCTOBER – SUNDAY, 28TH OCTOBER

Sunday, 21st October	8.30 am	Margaret Humphreys RIP
	10.30 am	Maurice O'Brien RIP
	5.30 pm	Syro Malabar
Monday, 22nd October	NO MASS	
Tuesday, 23rd October DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER & REPARATION FOR LIFE	12 noon	Charlotte & Ross Champion's Intentions
Wednesday, 24th October	12 noon	People of the Parish
Thursday, 25th October	9.30 am	Dennis Ives RIP
Friday, 26th October	7 pm	Louis Doimi de Frankopan RIP
Saturday, 27th October	10 am	John Holden RIP
Sunday, 28th October	8.30 am	Deceased members of the Rato/Rodrigues family RIP
Exposition following both Masses	10.30 am	Filomena Lobo RIP
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass.		
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS Saturday: Following 10am Mass.		
Responsorial Psalm:		
"May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you."		

COLLECTIONS FOR 14TH OCTOBER 2018

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£228.29
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£40.50
Loose Plate	£440.57
Gift Aid (via bank)	£781.00
Planned Giving (via bank)	£42.00
Candles	£52.76
World Mission Sunday	£1.00
Harvest Fast Day (CAFOD)	£55.00
TF3 (CAFOD)	£5.00
First Holy Communion subs	£475.00
Home Mission Sunday	£5.00
Mass Stole Fees	£80.00
TOTAL	£2,206.12

<u>RUNNING TOTALS</u>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£25.00
TF4 (Parish Events)	£51.69
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£1,940.72
Harvest Fast Day (CAFOD)	£766.08
Home Mission Sunday	£396.48

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection **TODAY** for World Mission Sunday. All donations from worldwide Masses go entirely to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the church is new, young or poor. *Thank you for your generosity.*



Next Sunday sees the end of British Summer Time (BST) for 2018. Clocks go back one hour.

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 28TH OCTOBER

- The counters will be Maurice O'Brien and Ryan Hawkins.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Eileen Wooller. *If you do swap with another Eucharistic Minister, please remember to notify the Parish Office, so that we can publicise the correct information in the newsletter. Thank you.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

There is a Prayer Request box in the church porch into which you are invited to place any intentions that you may have. Each week during one of the Masses, Fr Peter will pray especially for those intentions. Please **DO NOT PUT ANY MONEY IN THE BOX.**

TEA & COFFEE

Please join us for tea & coffee which is served in the large hall after 10.30 am Mass on Sundays. *All are most welcome.*

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet on 24th October at 9.30 am at St Catherine's. *All are welcome.*

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

On admission, all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to have Holy Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are 'Patient Led'. Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplain: *Fr JP Little*. Mobile: 0739 189 6559. RBH: 0118 322 7105. Sunday Mass 4 pm. *Patients, staff & visitors welcome.*

Please pray for the sick and housebound:

Nora Colley, Richard O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pat Togher, Richard Owens, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Jackie Hopper, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Alayna Fernandes, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Eileen Marshall, David Dye, Jean Trott, Stefen Griffiths, Tessie Joyce, Nina Aramco, Jo Boase and Maria. If you would like to add a name to this list or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office.*

ALTAR SERVERS' TREAT

Please keep Saturday, 17th November free for a proposed trip to the cinema followed by pizza afterwards. *Details to follow at a later date. Mike Tomas.*

COME & SEE EVENING FOR MEN

Are you a single man? Is your Catholic faith really important to you? Have you ever considered the Lord may well be calling you to be a priest and to continue his work in the world? Are you just intrigued about the priesthood? We would like to invite you to English Martyrs' Presbytery for an informal evening with the priests from the pastoral area to explore what the priesthood is about and to ask any questions you have - **TODAY** at 7 pm.

DROP IN CENTRE AND PARISH SVP

Thank you very much to everyone for your most generous donations to the October collection for the Drop-in Centre and the parish SVP. Your donations were very much appreciated by those who received them. The next collection will be, as always, on the first Sunday of the month, which is Sunday, 4th November. Thank you very much for your continued support with this collection. *Margaret Bailie.*

DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER & REPARATION FOR LIFE

The Bishop has appointed this special day of prayer on 23rd October each year, and special prayers will be offered up during the Mass on this day.



BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Year 7 Admissions September 2019. Remember to submit your Supplementary Information Form (SIF) to Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School so that your application can be ranked correctly. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Farrelly, Admissions Administrator via admissions@hughfaringdon.org or 0118 957 4730. *Deadline for applications via Local Authority is 31st October 2018.*

CLERK TO GOVERNORS VACANCY

For further information and an application pack, please contact Karyn Stiles, Human Resources Officer on 0118 918 3806 or email k.stiles@hughfaringdon.org. Closing date: Tuesday, 30th October 2018. Details also available on notice board in the church porch.

SVP PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Following the success of our Senior Citizens' Easter Party, we are pleased to announce that we will be having our very own Senior Citizens' Christmas Party. If you like the idea of spending a relaxing afternoon in the company of family and friends, sharing good food together, enjoying a spot of friendly competition and the chance to win a fantastic prize or two, then please join us on Saturday, 8th December from 1 - 4.30 pm in the large hall where we will be serving a hot Christmas roast lunch, with all the trimmings! There will also be plenty of entertainment to keep you all on your toes from carol singing, bingo and a few others which we are keeping up our sleeve! If you would like to join us, kindly put your name down on the sign-up sheet which you will find at the back of the church. For more information, please contact *Jack Ewins* on 07734 499190 or *Patrizia Chessell* on 07740 547922.

NOVEMBER – HOLY SOULS

It is the custom at St Joseph's to offer petitions in remembrance of the holy souls. This year, during the month of November, there will be a basket in front of the Sanctuary to receive the petitions. ***Please do not place any offerings in the basket.*** Any such offerings should be referred to *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*. The following seven designated Masses will be offered in November for the departed members of families, parishioners and friends:

1	Friday, 2 nd	7 pm
2	Tuesday, 6 th	7 pm
3	Wednesday, 14 th	12 noon
4	Saturday, 17 th	10 am
5	Tuesday, 20 th	12 noon
6	Thursday, 22 nd	9.30 am
7	Wednesday, 28 th	12 noon

SCIENCE – OR – RELIGION? A SYMPOSIUM

A big diocesan Symposium is taking place on Saturday, 3rd November, 10 am – 4 pm in The Discovery Centre in Winchester (opposite St Peter's Church) on Science and Religion. Two leading scientists will ask whether recent research on the Universe suggests the existence of a Creator. There will also be a series of workshops led by experts on such topics as Christianity and Extra-Terrestrial Life, the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and whether human consciousness is immortal. The Symposium is open to all, whether religious or not. See Portsmouth E-News for more details. Places are limited and bookings are now open at <https://portsmouthdiocese.eventbrite.co.uk>

PORTSMOUTH E-NEWS

Have you signed up for Bishop Philip's weekly e-News? Bishop Philip invites you to sign up for his FREE weekly e-Newsletter to keep in touch with the latest news and forthcoming events around the diocese. Visit www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enevs to sign up. You can also follow the Diocese on Facebook and Twitter. ***A printed copy of Portsmouth E-News is also available in the church porch.***

TALKS: 'What no eye has seen' Inspirations of the Christian spiritual masters (touching on questions around prayer) 12 sessions - with excerpts from writings at Douai Abbey 2.15 pm on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the Month. ALL WELCOME! Please contact *Fr Peter Bowe OSB* to book telephone no. 0118 971 5371 Email: peter@douaiabbey.org.uk



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**ADORATION:
CAN YOU FIND AN HOUR IN YOUR WEEK TO
SPEND WITH THE LORD?**

Our Lady of Peace & Bl Dominic Barberi are re-launching an extended period of Adoration from Friday, 26th October, every Friday and Saturday (Friday 11 am – Saturday 8 am). Please see the poster for more details or contact the Parish Office at Our Lady of Peace if you would be keen to volunteer for an hour every week.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP)

Information regarding our first Diocesan Natural Fertility Teacher Training in January 2019 is available at www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/marriage. For further information, please see poster in church porch.